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## ***SPECIAL EDITION***

### **Senator McManus' Visits the Michigan Youth Correctional Facility**

Last Friday, along with Senator Cropsey and Representative Hansen, I visited the Michigan Youth Correctional Facility in Baldwin; the very same facility that Governor Granholm is seeking to close without having established a plan to repurpose the facility and help the displaced skilled employees find new jobs. My colleagues and I met with county and prison officials to learn more about the facility and what the future may hold for the employees.

While Governor Granholm speaks about creating jobs today and creating jobs tomorrow, she is yanking the economic rug out from under the Village of Baldwin and the citizens of Lake County with this proposed closing. The Governor's 'jobs today, jobs tomorrow' is rapidly turning into 'jobs today, gone tomorrow' for the people of the county.

This Tuesday I will be hosting a meeting in Lansing with the Department of Corrections and other to discuss the tour and the possible future of the Michigan Youth Correctional Facility. My goal is to ensure that a plan and a timeline are put into place by the Governor so that the citizens of Lake County and Village of Baldwin are not left out in the economic cold of the Governor's new plan.

### **Senator McManus' Statement Regarding the Governor's State of the State Address**

"We need to set a course for our state that recognizes and rewards the hard work of those who drive our economy – one that respects and values our workers and supports the businesses, large and small, that provide good jobs.

I look forward to getting the opportunity to more closely study the governor's proposals to see how they fit in to our legislative agenda and our overall goal of jump starting the economy and getting people back to work."

### **Contact Me**

My door is always open and please do not hesitate to contact me regarding state issues. You can reach my Lansing office by phone at: 517-373-1725 or toll free at 866-305-2135. You can also call my Cadillac District Office at: 231-775-8599, or visit me online at [www.senate.michigan.gov/mcmanus](http://www.senate.michigan.gov/mcmanus).

### **Cable Show**

Each month you can watch "In Touch with Northern Michigan" and hear about issues affecting the 35<sup>th</sup> District. My show airs on:

*Traverse City TV 2, Friday nights at 8 P.M*

*Cadillac Cable TV, 1st and 3rd Friday of the month at 7 P.M.*

*Manistee Cable Access, 3rd week of the month Tuesday-Friday at 8:00 P.M.*

Airing for February is a discussion with Rob Winchell, Organ Preservation and Tissue Field Supervisor, Hospital Development Associate with Gift of Life Michigan. The show includes information regarding general organ and tissue donation as well as the work of Gift of Life Michigan.

### **Information**

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